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## Parliament Extended to End of Year

Ottawa, Feb. 8.—The government resolution proposing that an address be presented to his majesty, asking that a bill be submitted to the imperial parliament, extending the life of the Dominion parliament for one year, was unanimously adopted this afternoon by the house of commons after two memorable speeches had been delivered by Sir Robert Borden and Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Both leaders agreed as to the desirability of avoiding election strife during the war if possible.

## DETRACTORS' ATTACK ALBERTA

That gathering of Canadian forces in Chicago recently, for the purpose of providing an antidote for the poison that is being spread throughout the United States, was not held a moment too soon. As is well-known there are certain interests in the neighboring republic that are making a vigorous and unprincipled campaign to hurt Canada. Some of these interests are pro-German and their malice is understood. A considerable part of the balance is made up of those who have selfish ends to serve.

The real, genuine American is not represented. It is unfortunate that these enemies of Canada are given powers to attack this country, while our means of countering their influence are naturally limited. Take, for example, an article that was published in the Spokane Spokesman-Review last Sunday, in which the writer, who represented himself as a farmer in Alberta, alleged that once a farmer got into this country he could not get out, that he was worse than a slave, and that the federal government and all its ramifications were controlled by the railways, banks and manufacturers. According to him, Alberta was worse than the Sahara desert. At the end of his tale of woe, he urged that his name be not used, which, in view of the serious nature of his charges, was the request of a coward and of a man who stabs in the back.

Now, Alberta needs no defence. It speaks for itself. Its crop record of 1915, its livestock record, its dairy products, its coal output, its manufactures, its new industries, and its hundreds of thousands of acres of free arable land—all these tell of Alberta's advantages and any inquirer, who wants to know the condition, can get the bare, bald facts, that will give our anonymous enemy the lie.

Alberta has nothing to conceal. What we invite from Americans is inspection and investigation, for we know that inquiries into our resources and advantages will bring what we need—population. And we know that the new population will prosper.

First it was conscription that was the baseless threat that our detractors used in the States; now it is plain unvarnished preparation.

So it is that we say that the Chicago gathering was not held a moment too soon.

## REAL CAUSE OF WAR

In the current number of the University Magazine appears an interesting controversy between James Mavor, professor of economics in Toronto University, and Count Apponizi, an eminent political leader of Hungary, who has long enjoyed a great reputation as an advocate of the utilization of the Hague tribunal for the settlement of international disputes, of which body he was an important and valued member.

Grieved at two letters by Count Apponizi appearing in a New York paper, one of which consisted of a philippic against

England, and a plea for the "freedom of the sea," Prof. Mavor wrote making some correction in the contents of his friend and calling attention to the real cause of the war. "That Germany has been long preparing for a general European conflict cannot now be doubted," he says.

The reply of the Hungarian count, dated on June 9, is the Hun defence of the war. He starts by asserting Russia aimed at the destruction of the Austro-Hungarian monarchy, was responsible for the Serbian outrages, that Germany remained faithful to an ally, and that "Germany being thus entangled in a conflict with Russia, the Hun seemed propitious for France to have her revenge on her and for England to satisfy the envious feelings she entertained against the 'magnificent economic evolution of Germany.'"

The invasion of Belgium was not part of the policy of Germany, but a measure of strategy, unwillingly taken after England had declined to pledge herself to neutrality if Belgium were spared. He defends the submarine warfare by declaring that "England wages war against our women and children by declaring food stuffs 'contraband of war,' and condones the Lusitania outrage by asserting that it was a warship armed with guns."

Such are the delusions of the intelligent and more moderate. The reply of Prof. Mavor is quite conclusive. No scrap of evidence has ever been produced of any aggression on the part of Russia. "The only Slavic peril which either Germany or Austria could fear was the peril to their own autocratic systems which might result from the weakening of the autocratic power in Russia. So long as Russian autocracy was powerful we heard nothing of the Slavic peril; it is only as Russia becomes more free that the Slav comes to be regarded as a menace to the Central Empires. A free Russia must imply a free Germany and a free Austria, and this could by no means be tolerated by the military autocrats of these countries."

France has lost its spirit of revenge. She has set two tasks before her, one to render her frontier from Luxembourg to Switzerland secure against the enemy, and the other to recognize for herself the intellectual leadership which she enjoyed in the eighteenth century and lost in the nineteenth.

England has, no doubt, many faults, but not that of envy. "The English free trade policy has had as one of its cardinal doctrines that the prosperity of other countries is highly advantageous to England."

Prof. Mavor insists that the Prussian clique belled the war, and marshals his evidence. For twenty years Germany has been deliberately preparing for an aggressive campaign. Germany was in no peril of attack on any side. He points out that there had to be an end of the appalling German military expenditure. "One way of preventing this interior explosion was to provoke a general war, in which, if Prussia fell, the might hope to bring down also a civilized world. A successful war would establish Prussian domination of Central Europe more firmly than ever, and might make it universal. It was a gambler's chance."

Prof. Mavor repeats his assertion that the German people do not deny, and points out that the blockade is an established method of warfare from time immemorial.

The breach of the neutrality of Belgium by Germany was deliberately planned, and was not contingent on the neutrality of Belgium.

## SOLDIERS ON A RAMPAGE

Calgary, Feb. 11.—A mob composed mostly of soldiers, had completely wrecked the premises of restaurants operated by White Lunch Co. on 8th and 9th avenues. Cause of the outbreak was a rumor that the management had discharged returning soldiers and hired Germans in their places.

## Make Feb. 29 Big Red Cross Day

February 29th, of 1916, is to be handed down in the history of Alberta as Red Cross Day, when every man, woman, and child, in the province will join in a common endeavor to provide means of alleviating the suffering of the soldiers wounded in defence of the Empire. And best of all, the plan evolved provides that this help be given voluntarily, and without actual cost to the public.

Leap Year comes only once in four years, and then it brings an extra day, which is somewhat disconcerting when one considers it, since it is so difficult to account for. The Red Cross, however, has decided to take the extra day, and claims February 29th, the extra day, for its own.

The idea is that February 29, being a day over and above the usual allowance of the year, it will naturally bring an extra day's business. All that the Red Cross asks is a share in the profit of this extra day. The movement is not intended to secure money from the merchant alone, but to cover a percentage of every saleable commodity disposed of, whether farm produce, stock, coal, lumber, or general merchandise. The real success of the enterprise rests with the general public, the buyers who, in order to insure success must plan to do their buying on Red Cross Day from the merchants who have agreed to give a percentage of their receipts on that day to the funds of the Red Cross Society.

The suggestion has been approved by His Honor, the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Alberta, the Provincial Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society, and by the business men of Edmonton. Each bridge, and Medicine Hat, who are ready and anxious to fall in line. The committee plans to bring the matter before the bar and medical associations of the province, and also to secure the cooperation of the United Farmers of Alberta. Nor will it stop at that; the cooperation of every organization of the Province will be asked for. Every man, woman, and child, on February 29th.

The idea is a provincial one, but will be carried out locally. The different branches of the Red Cross Society undertaking the organization and financing of the plan as put into effect in its own districts, and for the local decision to be a matter of local decision.

When the people realize that a percentage of their expenditure, on February 29th will go to alleviate the sufferings of the soldiers who are fighting for Alberta, they will be only too glad to make this day one which will go down in the history of Alberta as representing what can be done in one day when the province cooperate in a common interest.

The organization covering the Edmonton district is in the hands of Miss E. Louise Holmes, under the direction of a committee that has been appointed by the executive of the Edmonton branch of the Red Cross Society. Further information may be obtained by writing to P. O. Drawer 126, Edmonton.

## WANTS CONSCRIPTION

Hamilton, Ont., Feb. 11.—Despite assurances of Premier Borden and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in parliament, that there will be no conscription measure in Canada, Hamilton is clamoring for it. The recruiting league has arranged a big mass meeting for a week from Sunday, when the government will be petitioned to use force to make eligible enlist. Mayor Walters' edict to city hall employees to enlist or quit applies to married men as well as single, and also to department heads. The mayor is going himself with the Tiger battalion. He has a wife and three young children, and sees no reason why other men should not make as great a sacrifice.

## THE SEED FAIR

The Annual Seed Fair, under the auspices of the Central Alberta Exhibition Association, was held in Lacombe on Wednesday last, and was well attended. The exhibits were numerous, and the samples of grain shown away above the average. Following is the prize list: Winter Wheat—1st, Capt. H. J. Angell Evans.

Spring Wheat—(9 entries)—1st, C. H. Grant; 2nd, Capt. Evans; 3rd, Thos. Henderson. Only half a point between 1st and 2nd. Oats, White, Long—1st, Young Bros.; 2nd, Young Bros.; 3rd, A. C. Bruns; 4th, Sladen & Smith. An exhibitor can only take one prize for each class. Bruns gets 2nd money, and Sladen & Smith third.

Oats, White, Short—1st, H. C. S. Jones; 2nd, James Reid; 3rd, John Laing.

Barley, 6-Rowed—1st, J. M. Southward; 2nd, H. C. S. Jones.

Barley, 2-Rowed—1st, Robert Watson; 2nd, O. H. Hedmark; (Blackheads); 3rd, John Laing.

Rye—1st, Ralph Mowbray (Bentley).

Timothy—1st, J. H. Grosse, Clive; 2nd, John Laing.

Potatoes, White—1st, L. B. Miller; 2nd, J. N. B. MacDonald.

Potatoes, Red—1st, J. H. Grosse; 2nd, L. B. Miller.

Judges—Alex. Blackwood, Dewdney; E. R. Rasmussen, Wetaskiwin.

The judges stated that it was the best attended Seed Fair they had ever held, both in regard to the number of exhibits and the attendance of farmers.

At the close of the judging, instructive addresses were given by the judges. Mr. Blackwood is known all over the country, as a grower of seed grain.

## DEATH OF MRS. FLEMING

Thos. Fleming of Lacombe, received a copy of the MacGregor (Man.) Herald of January 27th, containing the following account of his mother's death:

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon of an old resident of this place, in the person of Mrs. Fleming, widow of the late Mr. James Fleming. Mrs. Fleming died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Stinson, of Plumas, Man., on Monday, 24th inst., at the ripe old age of 82.

She was a helpless invalid for many years, but bore the cross laid upon her with such cheerfulness and Christian fortitude that no one could come into her presence without feeling the better for it. She was a kind and devoted wife and mother, and the wish of her bereaved family is that a part of the mantle of her Christian life may fall on and influence them.

She leaves to mourn her loss four sons and three daughters, viz.: William, of Carroll, Man.; Thomas, Lacombe, Alta.; Isaac, MacGregor, Man.; John S., Salmon Arm, B.C.; Mrs. W. T. Stinson, Winnipeg, Man.; Mrs. Alex. Logan, Nesbitt, Man.; and Mrs. J. J. Stinson, besides a number of grandchildren and great grandchildren.

## WHY NOT ENLIST NOW?

Young man—don't you think you would look well in uniform. Don't you think you would feel more like a man if you answered the call to arms NOW—when the Empire needs you? Get out of the "Safety First" brigade and let people see that you appreciate the privilege of living under the Union Jack, and are willing to fight to keep it flying. Have a talk with the officer commanding the 151st, in the old school building, Lacombe.

## ANGLICAN CHURCH NOTES

The service at Milton last Sunday was well attended. The services in future will be on alternate Sundays at 11:30 a.m., not at 4 p.m. as we announced last week.

The annual meeting of St. Cyprrian's W. A. will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 15, at the Rectory at 8 p.m.

A cent tea will be held at the home of Mrs. Watkins on Saturday, the 19th, from 3 to 6 p.m.

The Synod of the Diocese of Calgary meets in Calgary from Feb. 15th to 18th. The lay delegates from Lacombe are: Col. J. J. Gregory and Mr. E. C. Jones.

The special mission in Lacombe will commence on Ash Wednesday March 8th. It is hoped to obtain a special preacher for some of the services.

## L. I. D. NO. 401

The first meeting of the Council of L. I. D. 401, for the year 1916, was held in McKinnon Bros. Hall, Leslieville, on Saturday, Jan. 22nd, 1916.

Councillors present—A. N. McKinnon, Div. No. 1; S. Sande, Div. No. 2; E. R. Rasmussen, Div. No. 4; B. F. Austin, Div. No. 5; J. White, Div. No. 6.

Moved by Austin, seconded by White, that Sande be Chairman for the meeting. Carried.

Moved by McKinnon, seconded by Austin, that minutes of last meeting be accepted as read. Carried.

The following applications for Secretary and Treasurer were read: J. P. Nielson, R. D. Weston, A. J. Bannister, J. W. Christian.

Moved by Austin, seconded by McKinnon, that applications for Secretary and Treasurer be laid over until next meeting, as Councillor Ellenbogen was not present. Carried.

Moved by Randall, seconded by McKinnon, that the following bills be passed and paid: F. D. Foreman, plow handles, Div. No. 1, \$2.00.

E. N. French, Returning Officer, Div. No. 1, \$10.00.

L. Slaght, Returning Officer, Div. No. 2, \$5.00.

Hall rent for nomination, Div. No. 2, \$2.00.

A. Chenev, Returning Officer, Div. No. 3, \$5.00.

Matti Utto, Returning Officer, Div. No. 4, \$10.00.

J. Johnson, use of house for election, Div. No. 4, \$4.00.

E. Whaley, Returning Officer, Div. No. 5, \$5.00.

A. Leck, use of house for nomination, Div. No. 5, \$2.00.

J. Ferguson, Returning Officer, Div. No. 6, \$5.00.

H. R. McLead, Blacksmithing, Divisions 3 and 4, 80c.

E. Whaley, blacksmithing, Div. No. 5, \$4.65.

Lee & Tennant, bridge timber, Div. No. 5, \$22.00.

Stamps, stationery, attesting papers, \$19.25.

Nomination and election supplies, \$3.50.

Pay sheet No. 1, Div. No. 5, \$11.00.

Pay sheet No. 2, Divs. 3 and 4, \$45.00.

Moved by Randall, seconded by Austin, that rate of assessment be seven and one-half cents per acre, and that ratepayers be allowed to work \$11.00 of their taxes and pay \$1.00 in cash. Carried.

Moved by Randall, seconded by Austin, that ratepayers who do not come out to work when notified shall pay their taxes in cash. Carried.

The Secretary was instructed to write to Lawyer Quigg, Red Deer, asking him if he can collect the taxes on timber berths. Moved by Randall, seconded by White, that the money collected in each division be used in that division, no part of it to be used in any way in any other division. Defeated.

Moved by Austin, seconded by White, that meeting adjourn, next meeting to be held on Saturday, February 12th, at one o'clock. Carried.

A. SIM, Secretary Treas.

## Lusitania Survivor Swims Miles

Singer is One of Heroes of Disaster—Is in Water Four Hours After He Jumps

There is no doubt but that the real hero of the six survivors of the Lusitania disaster, who were members of the Royal Welsh Male Singers, is J. Preston Smith. His version of the tragedy is as follows:

"After leaping from the boat I was drawn under the water, and as I came up to the surface a high wave drove me under again, and when I finally came to the surface again the Lusitania had gone forever. After looking around a while I took hold of a deck chair on which I rested for about fifteen minutes. I saw a little half-submerged raft in the distance, and swimming over to it, crawled aboard. The sight around me was beyond description—men, women and children, and the awful wreckage of the ship, a semi-circle of wreckage was enough to make one go crazy. Four men came floating past me on a tin tank. They cried for help, and noticing a rope tied to the raft, I succeeded in getting them all safely on the raft. Two men came to our little raft, and the extra weight made it slowly sink. We were in a precarious condition. So, securing two floating life belts from the water, and giving them to two of the boys I decided to take to the water again, which I did. I swam for two hours until my legs gave out owing to cramps, and I spotted an air-tank about two feet square. Securing it, it kept me up nicely, and we drifted away from the scene. I made out a raft away in the distance, and after being in the water nearly four hours, succeeded in reaching it. There were nine men on it, and they pulled me aboard. I lay quite a while, completely done up; I had lost all use of my legs and could not stand."

"Twenty minutes later a trawler came alongside and took me aboard; we landed at Kinsale at 10 p.m., and were taken to the military hospital. After staying there until next morning I took the train for Queenstown to see how many of the boys were saved. On arriving I found five of them awaiting me. The meeting I shall never forget. I broke down completely. We counted up our party, and found three were missing never to sink with us again, namely, David Hopkins, Isaac Jones, and our dear leader, George F. Davies."

These singers reorganized into the Royal Welsh Male Quartette, and will appear at the Cornet on February 24th.

## WELSH QUARTETTE COMING UNDER AUSPICES OF ODD FELLOWS

The fame of Welsh singing became world-wide when, in 1872, a mixed choir, consisting mainly of Welsh village folk, under the leadership of Canadog (Griffith Rhys Jones), won the Crystal Palace Company's \$5,500 challenge trophy, and a cash prize of \$500. This fame was enhanced in the following year, when the same choir, under the same leader, again won the trophy, beating the London choir, known then as the Paris Prize Choir, under the leadership of Mr. Proudman. The sons of the principal have ever since maintained the fame and ever enhanced the standard established and set by the Crystal Palace victors.

Hear the Royal Welsh Male Quartette at the Cornet. Rises Williams' description of the sinking of the Lusitania is alone a feature worth the admission price.

On February 29 The Guardian will give five per cent of the total business of the day, including subscriptions, to the Red Cross Society. Pay for your paper that day.

## The Mighty Grand Fleet

British Fleet Now as Formidable  
That Its Power on the Sea is  
Immeasurable

A vivid description of the work of the Grand Fleet and most interesting details of some of the ships of war are given in a long account which a special correspondent of the Standard sends from the Mediterranean. The Archbishop of Canterbury visited the fleet, and a party of Frenchmen were also privileged to see it. None of them (he points out) told anything about it that was not known before the war to even the longshoreman. They raised nothing of the veil now surrounding that great and mighty shield under which the empire has risen, the guardian, as it is proved by the events of the past fourteen months, of the very freedom of the whole world. They told us nothing of the wonderful new submarines, or the equally wonderful new submarine destroyers. They were silent about the guns of the new battleships and the speed of the new battle cruisers. The new mine sweepers need not now be employed upon the sweeping of the mines from our coastwaters or the open seas, for the German mine sweeper has been built to deal with the mine sweeper, and not to mine the mine sweeper. The new submarines are not at all necessary to combat the few remaining submarines the Germans can send to sea.

These destroyers are possessed of incredible speed, and they turn almost on their own length. What little remains of the guns of the old battleships is not a problem for the old boats, and the new craft are going to be used elsewhere. So far as the fleet is concerned, that great new battleship which joined the fleet not many days ago, the new one alone who knew of the submarine's unheralded coming watched with well justified pride the passing on its way to the battle squadron of the supreme power in naval construction, and as the battleship's ocean went on they said to each other: "The runs mounted on that boat are not intended to sink the boat, and neither will they. They will kill something else, and by heaven! they will crumble what they hit into ash and into dust."

In the French journals' account of the visit of the fleet they mentioned four boats—Jolicoeur's Duke, Healy's flagship Lion (the boat the Germans "saw" in the fog), the Tiger, and the boat the Turks destroyed in the Dardanelles, the Queen Elizabeth. They may have been the ships that appealed to their imagination, and they may have been the ships that they saw these vessels in actual combat. It is not by the heels the "successes" claimed by our fleet and disrupted the rumors current in this country. It will give joy to our Overseas Dominion to know when we came to strike the next blow on the sea. The fleet, which have already won imperishable fame in Flinders and in the Azores, the Gallipoli peninsula, will be given their opportunity to strike for the freedom of the sea.

When I looked on the Fleet, the other day Healy's Lion crouched, the furthest out ship of the fleet. Immediately at her head lay the Tiger and the Princess Royal, and then further up the line came the Queen Elizabeth, stretched for miles—came the Canada, the Australia and the New Zealand.

To the Dominion especially the news that the Canada is in commission will be greatly pleasing. Their man-of-war, I may tell them, does them proud. Formidable as the Lion, the Tiger, the Princess Royal were, the giant of the Empire Leaf appeared to give even more force to fighting power.

When will this vast armada strike? says the correspondent, finally. When will it come? It will come, not for a practice cruise—for it is useless to look on the sea for a foe that strikes within land—but for its real mission, where will it unshackle its mighty charged-up energy?

They talk in the navy with hushed breath of what the navy has done since January last no German man-of-war has come out into the open. Can they come out? The answer is, they have too much for them? Are they sealed up in their own waters? That only can be decided by the next blow will be struck.

Will these terrible guns first blow into ruins that rubbleheap of the North Sea and leave the waves to wash away the dust? Will the Grand Fleet come from its natural and God-given harbor and wipe from the face of the sea the patches of shelter of concrete and steel of Heligoland, or will we go right on our way to another coast? These are Jellicoe's secrets.

But the Fleet which has grown in strength every week since the war started, and now is so formidable that its power on the sea is immeasurable as it is incomparable, will not have its energies held long in bolts. Its Niagara of power will soon be forth.

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## Western Woman Farmer

Has 1,800 Acres Under Crops of Different Kinds

Nine years ago she arrived in Saskatchewan a young woman, accompanied by her mother and young brother to venture upon farming. Her first start was on a modest scale, but in the years that have elapsed she has succeeded in adding to her possessions until the present year, when she had 1,800 acres under crops of different kinds. About 40,000 bushels of wheat besides oats and barley will be at the milling market price bringing her a considerable return.

Reckling her experience to a Winnipeg paper, she explained that with the management of such a large farm it was not the question for her to do much of the manual labor. She firmly believes that farming is just like any other business, and business systems should be introduced into it. She studies diligently, reading up what others have done, noting her mistakes and finding out why they are mistakes, and not by any means forgetting to take counsel with some doughs in the district, makes a special study of breeding Percheron horses as well as growing wheat, and there is one more thing she would do and another looking after the horse ranch.

Marjorie wheat is a specialty of Miss Hillman's and she claims to have been the first to have introduced it into the United States. This year she tried out Durum wheat, the first time it had been tried in Canada. It had yielded from sixty to ninety bushels to the acre. Miss Hillman explained that it was extensively used in the manufacture of macaroni. The idea of farming as an occupation for women, Miss Hillman became thoughtful. "Women have been successful in making up their minds to work, and then work," she said finally. "I am sure where they would do splendidly near a big market, but to go away out on a prairie, they must be sure of their physical, moral and mental strength before they attempt it. It is a big test. And women farmers are born, not made."

A laughable trench incident is described in the following letter from a member of the 1st Battalion, King's Royal Rifle Corps: "While on sentry duty in one of our first line trenches, I heard a strange sound coming from the communication trench, which led into the German trench. I did not have to wait long before I saw a German coming towards me. He was carrying a rifle and an open tin, and he was looking at me with a curious expression. I did not throw up my hands and shout 'Merry Christmas' to him, and was surprised to find him carrying six bottles of hot coffee. He handed them to me, and I handed him a tin of bully beef. He then turned and walked back to his trench. I did not see him again."

"Look out, or we will polish you off," cried a man of polished appearance. "Our men are needing you," replied a man of polished appearance. "The aim of the police seemed to be to clear the Wilhelmstrasse. The Imperial government buildings and foreign embassies are situated. Finally under pressure of the police, the crowd dispersed north and south. Cries in a speech of old "Tacklers" and cheers for Liebknecht were raised. The demonstrators marched through the city in military formation and cries for peace were heard. "Soldiers took part in the demonstration, and some were arrested. Many people received sword wounds in the police charges."

## To Stamp Out Tuberculosis

The opportunity has been afforded to every person in the United States on December 8th to set at rest his lurking anxiety about tuberculosis. He had any symptoms of tuberculosis.

That day, which was set aside as "medical examination day," occurred on the Wednesday of Tuberculosis Week planned by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis to be observed throughout the country between December 8th and 12th.

It is hoped that this will inaugurate a regular annual "Tuberculosis Week." To this end the co-operation of physicians, employers and workers is being urged. The features of the week were the "Children's Health Crusade" and Tuberculosis Sunday, the sixth of each yearly inter-denominational observances to be celebrated.—The Survey.

"Your worship," said the arrested chauffeur, "I tried to warn the man, but he wouldn't listen. He said, 'You have to take care of your own business, and I have to take care of my own business.'"

"I broke some records this afternoon," I liked you very much, and you were a little bit of a troublemaker."

"I don't know," he said, "I never thought of that. I was just a little bit of a troublemaker."

"Did you tell your schoolmaster I liked you very much, and you were a little bit of a troublemaker?"

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## Police Charge

Many Wounded in Berlin by Sabre Thrusts When Demonstration Was Made

According to a correspondent of the Manchester Guardian news has reached Switzerland from a trustworthy source suggests that peace current affairs certainly flowing in the high governing and directing spheres of Berlin, that it is impossible to speak of them with any degree of precision.

It seems the dispatches are becoming steadily restive, not because they are less pertinent than the other classes in Germany, but because they see more clearly than any prolonged continuance of the war means, in the words ascribed to a prominent Berlin banker, "hideous bankruptcy."

All evidence available seems to indicate that Gen. Von Falkenhausen, chief of the general staff, shares this comparative moderation of tone. For the discussion of the peace terms the military element, it is hoped, will adopt a change rather than an arrogant attitude. That the German working classes toward the war seems to have become one of uncompromising hostility.

Hardly a day passes without some horror of this new revolt being quoted in the Swiss flag, the newspapers. The Berner Tagblatt and Zurich Volkrecht, which are not subject to the German censor, have been the first to publish the Socialist opinion more accurate than the Vorwaerts is able to do.

The Tagblatt reports as the latest and most startling instances of popular discontent a description by a writer in the Tagblatt of a demonstration which took place in Berlin on the evening of the Reichstag election. This account summarizes the brief reports hitherto telegraphed to England.

Two thousand men and women took part in a peace demonstration which marked the opening of the Reichstag on November 20. A crowd collected to wait eight o'clock in the evening in Unter den Linden. One section of the demonstrators came from the Schloss (the Imperial palace). The other came from the opera house, and as this section passed through the Unter den Linden in the direction of the Brandenburg, a squad of police which had been specially stationed in the neighborhood rushed out and drove it back along the Friedrichstrasse and Charlottenstrasse.

After this, the police section of the demonstrators into the street, and the police charged. Those who had congregated in the Charlottenstrasse and Friedrichstrasse were driven back to the Unter den Linden, and many of them were injured by the police charges.

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## Canada's Exports Increase During War Times

Entering Drug Company is Reaching Out Into New Territory

In many lines of drugs and chemicals, Germany had the world's market. With the war, the German and Austrian sources of supply have been cut off, and the world's supply of these drugs and chemicals has been reduced. The result has been a great increase in the price of these drugs and chemicals. The result has been a great increase in the price of these drugs and chemicals.

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## Grading Dairy Products

Grading of Cream in Order to Improve the Standard

Saskatchewan seems to be without doubt taking the lead in dairying, not only in the quantity of output but in quality and also in the systematic organization of the industry.

Most of the creameries are worked on a co-operative basis and operated by the government. In order to improve the standard of the output from these, the grading of the cream was started some years ago. This was found to be so effectively in improving the quality that many farmers were sending cream of better quality than required by the standard for the best grade. In order to meet this situation a higher grade was added to the then-existing classification.

The following grading of cream is now in use, and is giving excellent satisfaction: No. 1—Perfectly sweet and fit for table use. No. 2—Slightly sweet and fresh, showing no sediment and free of lumps and curd matter.

No. 3—Cream that does not qualify for grades one or two. This cream will be rejected. The producer receives monetary compensation for the extra work involved in supplying the highest grade of cream. This is three cents more per pound of butter fat for Extra No. 1, 1.1 and No. 1, and five cents above No. 2.

In no instance, reports W. A. Wilson, dairy commissioner, has a creamery withdrawn its patronage from a co-operative creamery. No "cream" has been withdrawn from a co-operative creamery. While in some cases farmers supplying No. 2 cream have withdrawn their support, and although the volume of business declined, the quality of the butter, because of the absence of much of the No. 2 cream, showed a decided improvement. Their withdrawal in most cases was only temporary, since the price paid for the better flavored cream proved a powerful magnet and soon drew back the creamers who had withdrawn.

Grading has proved so satisfactory that the plan now being followed has now been extended to the butter. Each creamery is designated by a number, and the creamery number is stamped on every box of butter. The creamery number is stamped on every box of butter. The creamery number is stamped on every box of butter.

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## The Lacombe Guardian

F. H. SCHOOLEY, PROPRIETOR

We have encouraged our men to enlist—have cheered them as they left for the front—have made arrangements to care for their families while they are away. The first news we look for is the war news—but half the time we fail to realize that every engagement of the warring forces means that some are killed, others disabled for life and many so badly wounded that they have to be taken to the hospitals. The Red Cross Society is doing a wonderful work in caring for those and have so organized their forces that a great deal of work is done without cost. Almost every town in the Dominion has a Red Cross Society at work making bandages, knitting socks, etc. But a great deal of money is required to buy drugs, surgical appliances, automobiles, equip and maintain hospitals; and this need will be redoubled when the spring advance of the allies begins. The Red Cross Society has mapped out a plan whereby funds can be raised without personal sacrifice on the part of any. The idea is to make February 29th Red Cross Day all over the province and people are asked to transact all their business on that day with those who have agreed to give a certain percentage of their receipts for that day to the Red Cross Society. They propose to make February 29th the biggest business day the province has ever known.

### RED CROSS NOTES

The sum of \$41.25 was cleared from the concert given by the returned soldiers on Feb. 4th. This has been given to the Red Cross Society in Edmonton.

The Red Cross Society acknowledges, with thanks, the parcel of shirts and socks sent in by Mrs. J. D. Cumberland from the ladies of Wittenburg.

Not long ago there was a report going in this neighborhood that the Red Cross Society was selling socks. The name of a gentleman in the country was given to the secretary as being able to give full information on the matter, but he evidently could not or would not verify the tale, but up to date no answer has been received from him.

The Red Cross acknowledges, with thanks, the bundle of goods from the ladies of Wittenburg, sent in by Mr. Falls.

### BENTLEY ITEMS

Tuesday, Feb. 8th, 1916.

We are sorry to report that Mr. Charles Decimus Putland passed away Feb. 2nd at the home of his son, in Bentley. He was taken ill Christmas morning, and partly owing to the severe weather, the weak state of his heart, and his advanced years he was not able to rally, and he passed away after five weeks' illness. Mr. Putland was a native of St. Leonards-on-Sea, Engl. and where he was engaged in business for many years. He was a member of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, and gave his active support to every good work. This was his fourth visit to Canada, and third to the West, which he greatly admired, being a firm believer in its wonderful possibilities. The funeral was held in the Methodist Church on Sunday afternoon. The building was filled to the doors by many friends, some having driven many miles to pay their last respects. Rev. A. B. Miller took the service, and was assisted by Rev. G. Driver, of Fort Saskatchewan and Mr. Freeman, of St. Leonards-on-Sea, England. Mr. and Mrs. Freeman, who are members of the same church in the Old Country, have been spending the winter in Edmonton, and are making a tour round the world, having come across the Pacific from Australia. It seems a strange coincidence that they should be here at this time and be present at the graveside of their friend so many thousands miles from home. In spite of the severe cold weather some beautiful wreaths were sent. Mr. W. Brooks, of Rimbey, directed the funeral. Mr. Putland was 68

years of age. His familiar figure will be greatly missed from the streets of our village by the many friends he had made since his coming amongst us. Mrs. Putland and family wish to thank all for their practical help and kindly sympathy extended to them in their bereavement.

If Premier Sifton could spend a few days in Bentley and see the numerous loads of grain and hogs, etc., passing through here, on long hauls to the railway, it might touch his heart and set him thinking again about this district's needs.

Patrons of the Royal Bank, Lacombe branch and Bentley sub-branch, were grieved to get notices from that institution that the sub-branch here would be closed after the 12th day of February. From our observations we thought that the sub-branch was doing a very good business, as we have noticed many a rush hour at that place, and their open days had got to be the busy days of the week. People are not taking the news very cheerfully, and we think that the Royal Bank officials are making a mistake.

The Ladies Aid entertainment announced for last week, also the Saturday night dance, were called off owing to the death of Mr. Putland, Sr.

Rumors are out and around that Premier Sifton says that our railway shall be completed this coming summer. We think that it is to the interests of the Province that it is, if, as we understand, nearly three hundred thousand dollars of the Provincial funds are tied up in the project. Why not send the Premier a good strong petition again, or wait on him with a delegation, and mail to him a copy of the "Parable of the Three Wise Men," revised.

A series of lectures, under the auspices of the Local Improvement Association, will be opened by C. F. Damron, President, on Wednesday night, February 16th, at the Club Room. Subject: "The Live Stock Industry of the Blindman Valley. Free admission to all lectures. Everyone welcome. Special interest to farmers.

### CLIVE ITEMS

News is very scarce these days. We're not so bad off for coal these days, Fred Perry having unloaded another car a few days ago.

The U.F.A. will hold a special meeting in Brereton's Hall on Saturday, February 12th. Every member is requested to be present.

Lieut. Robert H. Gregory, of the 49th battalion, was reported seriously wounded last week.

The members of the School Board have sent the following letter to T. A. Brereton, Secretary-Treasurer of Clive School District: "You are hereby instructed to notify Mr. Hoyle that the Clive School Board are convinced of their inability to meet the running expenses of the Clive School and carry the heavy financial burdens incidental to the present organization, and that we feel it incumbent upon ourselves to give the Principal thirty days notice of the discontinuance of his services. Signed, A. A. Smith (Chairman), J. T. Reynolds, Jas. Tees." Just why such a step as this has been taken is not clear, as the School Board, at their annual meeting, held a week or so ago, decided that it was their ambition and desire to keep the Clive school up to its present efficiency, and decided that by adding 2 mills more on to the taxes for this year it could be done. Our school has obtained a gratifying report from the inspector, which goes to show that Mr. Hoyle is highly qualified, but how about our high school, which has made such rapid progress under the able leadership of our principal? We are of the opinion that the School Board is taking a step which is unnecessary. What is to become of the high school grades now? The taxpayer must pay his increased school tax and then bear the extra expense of sending his children out of town to get a high school education. Had our school received an unsatisfactory report we would have upheld the action of the board, but we cannot do so now under the circumstances.

### GULL LAKE ITEMS

We notice of late a number of the gentlemen of this district wending their way on foot to Bentley. It happened early in the morning, with their hands or a belt iron on each jaw. Dr. Laughbaum, they claim, is a painless extractor of teeth, and would recommend him to any other suffering mortals.

One of the champion card-players was beaten the other night owing to a swollen jaw, just winning one game out of seven. He claims such a calamity has never happened before.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Hansen are visiting at their son Walter's, east of Lacombe, over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. King are in the district again and staying at Ernest King's for a few days. They came in last week from the claim.

A number from here attended the funeral of Mr. Putland, of Bentley, on Sunday.

The Helping Hand will be held at Mrs. Jno. Damron's a week from Wednesday, Feb. 16th.

### ELKHORN ITEMS

We think we have had our share of cold weather this winter, and wind too. Last Saturday and Sunday the wind was something fierce; it blew night and day. There is also plenty of snow-drifts. We have heard it said that there was no stormy days here; not so this winter. One house in our district was almost snowed in, the snow drifted so high against the door during the night. They could not get out in the morning except through the window. Now, as February has come in we are in hopes that we will have warmer weather.

Our last news was sent in before the election for Councilors. The election went off very quietly here, and was held at the home of Mr. J. C. Smith, the returning officer. Three candidates ran for the honor, and all polled a fair share of votes as a large number turned out to take advantage of their franchise. Mr. James Kinley was the lucky winner, being now a representative of Local Improvement District, No. 429.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Beach gave a dance at their new home on the last Friday evening in January. The evening was rather unpleasant, but a goodly number of the young people turned out. Some of the young fellows got left. This is leap year, and the girls are not slow. Probably it is because of leap year that we have so much cold weather. It is to be hoped, if that's the case, that we won't have another for eight years instead of four.

Those that went from here to the Heliapiag Hand, which met at Mr. and Mrs. Kanngieser's, re-

Hope it will be warmer this month so as to thaw out what is left over from last month.

Our young hunters are still getting the fur-bearing animals. Charles Hubbard trapped a nice lynx last week.

It was a very pleasant time. Bentley was the chief amusement. Some were rather late in getting home.

I read, of the death of an old hunter in the East who had killed 52 bears and 80 moose. Quite a record that for one man. I guess those who came in here last Spring and got a taste of the cold weather will feel like pulling out for a warmer climate.

As the price of grain is going up the farmers will make good. Markets are good now for those who have anything to sell, but not so good as in the East.

The cold weather has been very hard on the fowl as well as cattle; not many eggs, only a few feathers.

Any young man who is fit, who has nothing holding him back, should join the Canadian forces—and do it now. A young man who does not join at this time of crisis can hardly expect to keep the respect of the people with whom he associates. It is coming to the time when the "Safety First" boys will be shamed into putting on the uniform, and coming quickly. Never in the history of the Empire were men needed more urgently than at the present time.

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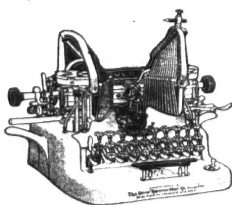
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# ALBERTA ASSOCIATION OF L. I. D. AND R. M. WILL CONSIDER MANY RESOLUTIONS

Some of the Resolutions to be brought before the Convention of the Alberta Association of Local Improvement Districts and Rural Municipalities to be held in the Albion Hall, Edmonton, Feb. 16, 17, and 18, 1916.

Query: Is it lawful to place gopher poison on surface of ground, thus destroying birds, etc.?

1. R. M. of Rosebud, No. 280.—Resolved, That this Convention petition the Legislature to pass legislation giving power to Rural Municipalities to allow discount up to 10 per cent. for the payment of taxes during the thirty day period.

2. R. M. of Bow Valley, No. 219.—That it is the opinion of this Convention that the Municipal Act should be amended so as to give power to Councils to pass by-laws which will enable them to deal effectively with parties who willfully or needlessly damage the roads in the different Municipalities, as it does not appear that Councils have the power, under the present Act, to enable them to handle this question successfully.

3. R. M. of Bow Valley, No. 219.—That it is the opinion of this Convention that the Municipal Act should be amended so as to enable the Municipal Councils to make the Assessment and strike the Tax Rate at any time during the year not later than Sept. 15th, said assessment to be subject to correction for errors or omissions that might arise in same, up to Sept. 15th in each year.

4. R. M. of Bow Valley, No. 219.—Resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention it would be a help in municipal financing if an amendment to the Municipal Act were made, giving Councils power to allow a discount on general and special taxes before a certain date fixed by the Council.

5. L. I. D., No. 517.—Whereas, Section 52 of the Local Improvement Act provides that the taxes levied on any lot containing at least one acre in any sub-division or plan, or any fraction of a section containing at least one acre, shall be at least fifty cents, and the taxes levied on any lot containing less than one acre, or on any fraction of a section containing less than one acre, shall be twenty-five cents;

and whereas, the Minister of Municipalities has, by his decision in a recent appeal, decided that these provisions of the Act do not apply to subdivided land unless a plan of such subdivision has been registered;

and whereas, this state of the law offers an encouragement to owners of subdivided land to neglect registration, in order to evade taxation; and is unfair to the community inasmuch as it makes it impossible to provide ahead against the added burden of extra roads and lanes which will ultimately have to be constructed and maintained out of the District's funds;

be it therefore resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention the Act should be so amended that it will be legal to collect taxes on the above-named basis on any land which has been staked out, into blocks or lots, irrespective of whether any plan has been registered or not.

6. R. M. of Dinton, No. 189.—That the Government be petitioned that one-half the amount paid for Automobile Licenses be paid over to the Municipalities in which the automobile owners reside for the purposes of road improvements.

7. R. M. of Dinton, No. 189.—Whereas the Municipalities are called upon to make yearly grants to local hospitals, and whereas the Municipalities may be held liable to such hospitals for all expenses in connection with indigent patients; and whereas it is resolved that the Government be petitioned to pass a law whereby each farm employee 18 years of age or over be assessed \$1.00 per month for hospital insurance something after the fashion of miners or railroad employees and such money to be paid to the Municipality and held as fund for indigent patients.

8. R. M. of Success, No. 336.—Resolved, That Section 107 of the Rural Municipal Act be so amended as to allow nomination to be held two, or even three, weeks prior to election.

9. R. M. of Success, No. 336.—Resolved, That Section 214, Clause 2, of the Rural Municipal Act be amended by striking out the words (any ten) in the second line thereof and substituting therefor the following: "Ten per cent. of the following."

10. R. M. of Success, No. 336.—Whereas, large amounts of money are required to be raised for Red Cross and Patriotic purposes; and whereas, it is deemed necessary in order to more effectively apportion the burden of expenses, and to provide substantial additions of a permanent character to the generous voluntary donations of the people; therefore, be it resolved, That this Association, in Convention assembled, petition the Government of the Province to collect a levy of one mill on the dollar on the assessed value of all rateable land within the Province, based on equalized assessment, and that the fund be held by the Provincial Treasurer, in trust, for the patriotic purposes aforesaid, levy to be made in 1916, and be continued as long as, in the opinion of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council, it may be necessary.

11. R. M. of Garripy, No. 574.—That this Association petition the Dominion Government to grant such adequate pensions to disabled soldiers and also to the widows and children of soldiers who die on active service, as will enable these dependants to live respectably, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to Sir Robert Borden, Premier of Canada, and also, that a copy of this resolution be sent to each Rural Municipality and Local Improvement District Secretary in the Province, with the request that they, as individual organizations, send similar resolutions to Sir Robert Borden, Premier of Canada.

12. L. I. D., No. 560.—Resolved, That the Provincial Government, through this Association, be requested to pass legislation either by Order in Council or otherwise, giving power to Local Improvement Districts and Rural Municipalities to relate all taxes imposed on land by them to the Dominion Land Regulations for each settler who has enlisted for the Great War, such rebate of taxes to cover land in actual use and development at the time of enlistment and not to cover speculative holdings. The Local Improvement Districts and Rural Municipalities to have power to rebate taxes up to the return of the soldier to point of enlistment, or death in service.

13. R. M. of Burlington, No. 250.—Whereas, as a result of the present European War, it is necessary that large sums of money be raised for the purpose of providing field comforts for the men in the trenches, to care for the dependants of those who have enlisted, and to assist those who are being returned to their homes incapacitated from doing further active work; and,

Whereas, it is our opinion and belief that the Government of the Province of Alberta, through the Rural Municipalities, No. 250, that the support and assistance required of the rural districts, to those organizations now engaged in the work referred to, should be collected uniformly and systematically.

Therefore, be it resolved, That this Convention of the Alberta Association of Local Improvement Districts and Rural Municipalities respectfully memorialize the Provincial Government to cause such amendments to be made to the Local Improvement and Rural Municipalities Acts at the present Session of the Legislature as may be necessary to empower Local Improvement Districts and Rural Municipalities, in the Province of Alberta, to impose and collect a uniform rate of taxation for patriotic purposes, the proceeds to be collected by the Secretary-Treasurer of all Local Improvement Districts and Municipalities, in the same manner as other taxes, and the amounts forwarded from time to time to His Royal Highness, The Duke of Connaught, Governor-General of Canada, in his official capacity as President of the Canadian Patriotic Association, to be distributed by him in such manner as he may deem wise.

14. R. M. of Burlington, No. 34.—Whereas, it is deemed detrimental to the best interests of a Municipality that the offices of Secretary and Treasurer be constantly changing hands with the election of each new Council by reason of the knowledge of past events bearing upon Municipal

matters held by the said Secretaries and Treasurers, and leaving that such officials should be known to be qualified by certain training for the position applied for; therefore,

Be it resolved, That the appointment of the Secretary or Treasurer, be made by examination similar to that used in the Dominion civil service, the details of such examination to be prescribed by the Minister of Municipalities. In lieu of such examination a service of three years by a Secretary or Treasurer, applying for re-appointment subsequent to the adoption of this amendment, shall be deemed proper qualification; the officials appointed under this amendment being removable from office only by reason of fraud or dereliction to duty, satisfactory to a majority of the Council and to the Minister of Municipalities.

And, be it further Resolved, That we instruct the Secretary to mail a copy of this Resolution to the Secretary of the Alberta Association of Rural Municipalities, requesting that same be brought before the Annual Convention, to be held in Edmonton in February, 1916.

15. R. M. of Burlington, No. 34.—Whereas, it is impossible for a Returning Officer to prepare and have printed ballots for the Election of Councillors and for Ballooting on By-Laws in the time allowed by the Municipal Act, Province of Alberta, in outlying Rural Municipalities in which there are no printing offices; therefore,

Be it Resolved, That we recommend that Sec. 107 of the Rural Municipalities Act be amended by striking out the word "beginning" it appears at the beginning of the fourth line of said Section 107, on page 25, and substitute therefor the word "second."

16. R. M. of Burlington, No. 34.—Whereas, a certain portion of the Municipal and School Revenue is lost to us each year by reason of parties filing upon land, enjoying the privileges of citizenship for a period and then abandoning same; therefore,

Be it Resolved, That we request the Alberta Association of Rural Municipalities to petition the Dominion Government to amend the Dominion Land Regulations by adding the following clause: "When land has been filed upon, taxes allowed to accrue against same, and then abandoned, that the taxes so accrued be charged and payable by the party next making entry upon same."

17. R. M. of Burlington, No. 34.—Whereas, the past six years have demonstrated the fact that farmers in the Province of Alberta can not rely upon the growing of grain as a certain source of revenue; and, whereas, it is advocated by all Western Agriculturists, and demonstrated, that the Dairy Farming is proving successful where tried; and, whereas, the majority of farmers in that portion of Alberta above mentioned have not the funds to enable them to engage in this system of farming; therefore,

Be it Resolved, That we request the Alberta Association of Rural Municipalities to petition the Provincial Legislature to so amend the Rural Municipality Act that it shall permit a Rural Municipality to use its credit to secure a limited number of Dairy Cattle each year to be distributed among responsible farmers of the Municipality, distribution to be subject to the direction of an advisory board appointed by the Council and approved by the Minister of Municipalities and subject to the following terms: The local bank to finance the proposition, the farmer desiring stock to give his note for the full value of his purchase and said note to be endorsed by the Reeve and Secretary for the Municipality as sureties; the farmer agreeing to ship his cream to a Creamery and allowing 50 per cent of the returns to be remitted direct to the Treasurer of the Municipality, all such monies to be deposited in a sinking fund to be used solely for the purpose of retiring the farmer's loan; the same 50 per cent return to apply to all increase sold off the cattle so purchased.

18. R. M. of Lakeview, No. 454.—Whereas, the cost of enlisting, equipping and maintaining the Canadian forces in their participation in the Empire's war, with the necessary ambulances, hos-

pital and relief departments, and the care of disabled soldiers and their dependent families, is a necessary and honorable obligation of the nation, it is imperative that these should be honorably and effectively met. Therefore, while gladly recognizing the worthy public spirit actuating those who with splendid generosity are contributing voluntarily to these objects, we recommend that the Dominion Government undertake the whole task, financing it and equalizing the burden by a system of direct taxation on all land values, including the C. P. R., throughout the Dominion, supplemented by an income tax and a tax upon the profits resulting from the manufacture of war munitions.

19. R. M. of Lakeview, No. 454.—Whereas, we believe that any person found guilty of graft in connection with contracts for war supplies is a traitor to his country; therefore we recommend that such persons taking undue advantage of war conditions in this respect be treated as becomes persons convicted of treason.

20. L. I. D., No. 341.—That 15th Dec. be last date L. I. D. taxes are payable at par.

21. L. I. D., No. 582.—Whereas, certain persons who are under the full age of 21 years are allowed to become the occupants of homesteads, and as such occupants are called upon to pay all taxes levied upon such homesteads;

And, whereas, such occupants are not entitled to exercise the right of voting until such age of 21 years is attained;

And, whereas, this Council is of opinion that an injustice is done to such occupants in levying taxes upon them whilst denying them the right to vote;

Now, be it Resolved, That this Council do lay this question before the Alberta Association of Local Improvement Districts and Rural Municipalities at their Convention, with a view to obtaining an amendment in the Local Improvement and Rural Municipal Acts whereby equal suffrage shall be extended to all taxpayers.

22. L. I. D., No. 582.—Whereas, great inconvenience, extra work and loss of valuable time is caused to Secretary-Treasurers of Local Improvement Districts and Rural Municipalities by the reason of the difficulty experienced in obtaining information as to persons filing upon land and persons abandoning or being cancelled;

Now, be it Resolved, That this Council suggests that all Secretaries or Secretary-Treasurers of Local Improvement Districts and Rural Municipalities be supplied with the names of all persons filing upon, abandoning, or being cancelled in respect of land within the boundaries of the various Local Improvement Districts and Rural Municipalities, a description of the land abandoned or cancelled, and the date of such filing, abandonment, or cancellation, at least once in every three months, and respectfully asks that this be considered by the Convention with a view to laying the matter before the Provincial Government to obtain satisfactory information.

23. L. I. D., No. 582.—Whereas, numerous cancellation proceedings and abandonments take place within the limits of the various Local Improvement Districts and Rural Municipalities of the Province;

And, whereas, many of the land so cancelled or abandoned has been to a greater or less degree improved by clearing, cultivation, fencing, etc.;

And, whereas, many of the before recited improvements are paid for by incoming occupants;

And, whereas, serious loss of revenue is experienced by many such Local Improvement Districts and Rural Municipalities, owing to arrears of taxes upon such land being irrecoverable;

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That this Council respectfully suggests that all arrears of taxes shall be a charge upon any monies paid in respect of such improvements as aforesaid, and that such arrears of taxes shall be paid out of such monies so received in respect of such improvements to the various Local Improvement Districts or Rural Municipalities, to whom such arrears of taxes are due.

24. L. I. D., No. 582.—Be it Resolved, That this Council suggest to the Alberta Association of Local Improvement Districts and Rural Municipalities the desirability of making an effort to

induce the Government to sell school land for the benefit of Rural Municipalities as School Districts are organized.

## RIMBEY ITEMS

Mrs. and Miss Pearn are in Rimby today, having made up their mind to take a trip to B. C. where Mr. Pearn and son have been for some time.

Reserve Monday, Feb. 14th, Valentine's Day for the social at Miss Ethel Rimby's in aid of the Girls' Red Cross. Admission, 10 cents. All girls welcome at the meetings at the High School on Tuesdays. At present young ladies are doing fancy work for sale in the Spring proceeds to go to Ogden Home at Calgary.

Miss Josephine Patch will give a music recital on the evening of Tuesday, Feb. 15. Miss Patch has a class of eleven pupils, each of whom will give from one to three selections. Other selections by the best talent in the neighborhood; also some vocal music. Come early, as program begins at 7.30. Ten cents admission will be charged.

Mrs. Prosser is arranging a whist drive to be held in the hall on Friday, 25th. Tickets—Gentlemen 50c.; ladies provide or pay 25c. The hall is now beautifully warm and comfortable. Please buy tickets beforehand of storekeepers or Mrs. Prosser, so that the right number of tables may be arranged. Ladies and gentlemen's prizes for highest score. Start off at 8.30. Proceeds, after expenses, for Red Cross.

The box social held last week in Rimby town hall was a great success. Everyone had a good time. Although the weather was very bitter there was a good turnout, and people were able to appreciate the work that had been done in the hall by the taxpayers during the week, for it certainly was warm and comfortable. A gentleman was heard to say that he had been to a great many box socials and never seen a better array of boxes and baskets—37 in number and all of great variety. Many thanks are due to the young people who took part in the minstrel troupe, and also in the comedy, "The Parson's Perversity." The acting was splendid; we doubt if it could have been improved upon by professionals. Mr. Saunders, our ever-ready friend, rendered great assistance by acting as auctioneer in the absence of Mr. C. Danron, and the manner in which he handled the situation shows that he has still one more profession that he could add to the list.

## BLACKFALDS NEWS

Messrs. Bailey and Bills are loading a car of hay this week.

Mr. Treut has had a rushing business this week, as most of the teaming is being done through Blackfalds at present.

Grades IX and X, and Miss Hill, were entertained after four o'clock on Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Smith.

A few young people from here attended the dance at Fletcher's last Friday evening. The roads not being very well defined several accidents were reported.

Mr. McCullough narrowly escaped having a serious fire in his home on Wednesday morning. Fortunately the fire was discovered in time, and little damage was done.

About a dozen of the younger people drove out to surprise Ray Miller on Thursday evening, it being his birthday. The evening was spent playing card games, after which refreshments were served by Mrs. Miller.

The Happy Thought Circle was entertained at the home of Mr. Magee, their president, in Red Deer, Saturday afternoon. After the business meeting a dainty lunch was served, followed by a short address given by the Captain of the Salvation Army of Red Deer.

A movement is under way to form a squad of Frontiersmen in Blackfalds. This patriotic enterprise deserves the support of everyone, and the least any able-bodied Canadian can do is to join now and help provide defence for Canada. Fight or Pay—Join the Frontiersmen.

## THE SUPREME COURT OF ALBERTA 1916

Sittings of the Supreme Court of Alberta, Appellate Division, and for the trial of causes, Civil and Criminal, and for the hearing of motions and other civil business, will be held at the following times and places for the year 1916. When the date set for the opening of a Court or a Sitting is a holiday, such Court or Sitting shall commence on the day following such holiday.

APPELLATE DIVISION—EDMONTON—Second Tuesday in January, First Tuesday in April, and Third Tuesday in September.

CALGARY—Fourth Tuesday in February, Third Tuesday in May, and First Tuesday in November.

FOR TRIAL OF CIVIL NON JURY CAUSES—

EDMONTON and CALGARY—Second Tuesday in January, and each Tuesday thereafter, except during vacation (commencing after the long vacation on the Third Tuesday in September).

FOR TRIAL OF CIVIL JURY CAUSES—

EDMONTON and CALGARY—Fourth Tuesday in April, and Fifth Tuesday in October.

FOR TRIAL OF ALL CRIMINAL CAUSES—

EDMONTON and CALGARY—Second Tuesday in January, Fourth Tuesday in March, Fifth Tuesday in May, and First Tuesday in October.

WETASKIWIN—Third Tuesday in February, and First Tuesday in October.

RED DEER—Fourth Tuesday in January and Third Tuesday in September.

STETTLE—Third Tuesday in March and Fifth Tuesday in October.

MEDICINE HAT—First Tuesday in March, and Second Tuesday in November.

MACLEOD—First Tuesday in March and Third Tuesday in October.

FOR TRIAL OF ALL CIVIL CAUSES—

WETASKIWIN—Second Tuesday in May, and Fourth Tuesday in November.

RED DEER—Second Tuesday in March, and Second Tuesday in November.

STETTLE—Fourth Tuesday in April, and Third Tuesday in December.

MEDICINE HAT—Second Tuesday in May, and First Tuesday in December.

MACLEOD—Third Tuesday in May, and First Tuesday in December.

LETHBRIDGE—Second Tuesday in February, Fourth Tuesday in May, and Third Tuesday in November.

Dated at Edmonton, Alberta, this 20th day of December, 1915.

G. P. OWEN FENWICK,  
Acting Deputy Attorney General.

## Lacombe 2nd Hand Store

I buy and sell second-hand goods

I handle Bankrupt Stock Clothing, Hardware, Furniture, Beds, Springs and Mattresses, the Famous Monarch line of Stoves and Ranges, Cooking Utensils, Trunks and Valises, Galvanized and Enamelware, Sewing Machines, Guns and Ammunitions, Phonographs and Records, Musical Instruments of all kinds, and Jewelry. Real Estate bought and sold. Get my prices before buying.

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### Pongee Silk

200 yards of Pongee Silk, 34 inches wide, extra fine quality, suitable for dresses and waists, special per yard.....35c

### Ladies' Waists

2 doz Ladies' Waists, assorted patterns, extra good quality, at a special bargain. On sale regular to \$3.00 for.....\$1.50

### Raw Silk

100 yards of Raw Silk, 36 inches wide, extra heavy weight; colors are brown, tan, navy, light blue. This is very special. Regular to \$1.00 per yard for.....69c

### Dress Goods

100 yards of heavy Melton Cloth, in navy, black and stripes, special value, regular 50c per yard for.....38c

### Braid

Just received a good assortment of Braid, assorted colors, 6 yards to a card, worth 20c per card, on sale at.....10c

### New House Dresses

5 doz Ladies' House Dresses, in gingham and prints, good assortment of colors, extra well made. Secure your wants early. Special on sale.....\$1.25

### Clothing Department



One lot of Suits at.....\$9.90  
worth up to \$14.00

One lot of Suits at.....\$6.90  
worth up to \$10.00

25 per cent off on all cloth  
Overcoats for men and  
boys.

25 per cent off any Hat or  
Cap in our entire stock.

### Fur Coats

Cub Bear Fur Coats.....\$17.90

Korean Beaver.....22.50

Black Beaver Cloth 'Fur

Collar Overcoats, full

Chamois lined, worth

\$25.00.....15.75

Black Melton Fur Collar

Overcoats, worth \$15.....9.95

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**All Kinds of  
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### Items of Interest Locally

Coming—"The Night Stage,"

The Royal Welsh Male Quartette coming Feb. 24.

The Empress Hotel will be sold out under the hammer on March 1.

Private Harry Parker, of the 66th Batt., spent a holiday at home this week.

Phone 95—the New Meat Market—for your needs in the meat line. F. Chesebman.

Mr and Mrs. Andrew Gilmour returned on Tuesday from an extended visit in Ontario.

Coming to the Rex in the near future—"The Night Stage," the best of all Mutual Masterpieces.

A Driggs, of Morningside, has returned from an extended visit to relatives in the south country.

L. Peterka is still selling boots, shoes, overshoes, rubbers, moccasins, mitts and gloves at less than cost. Now is the time to buy.

Will those who have subscribed to the Patriotic Fund please call and pay their donations at the Royal Bank of Canada, where their cards are deposited.

Everything the best at the Pioneer Meat Market. L. W. Puffer is now in charge, and will see that only the best meats etc. are sold. Call phone 15 for prompt service.

The Royal Welsh Male Quartette will be at the Comet Theatre on February 24, under the auspices of Magnet Lodge No. 12, I. O. O. F.

Private L. A. Scherrer, of the 66th Battalion, spent the weekend at his home in Lacombe, returning to Edmonton Sunday evening.

The "January thaw" had put off its appearance so long that we had begun to fear that there was danger that it would overlap the May snowstorm.

S. N. Rimbey, of Rimbey, on Friday last shipped a carload of hogs from Lacombe to the Calgary market. The price realized was \$8.90.

Hub Camp No. 13324, Modern Woodmen of America, will hold the annual ball on the night of March 17. Woodmen, keep this date in mind.

On Tuesday evening, February 15, a special evening will be given for the members and adherents of the Methodist Church at the home of Dr. E. N. and Mrs. Sharpe.

The farewell dance given by the young ladies of Lacombe in honor of Miss Wright, who is leaving shortly for Toronto, was a most enjoyable affair, and everybody had a good time.

The entertainment given by the returned soldiers, Wells and Treat, in the Comet on Thursday night was most interesting. The young heroes gave their audience an insight into the conditions of fighting at the front, and the good work our boys are doing.

Business men, clerks, bankers, etc., will have a chance to see "The Night Stage" when it comes; it will not be shown on a Saturday night.

Tickets for the Welsh Quartette are now on sale at Creighton's drug store. Reserve your seats now, there's going to be a big rush. Reserved seat tickets 75c, general admission 50c.

The carnival given by Lacombe skating rink on Tuesday eve was a success in every particular. The attendance was good and the music by the Rex orchestra was much enjoyed by all.

The Rev. W. Hollingsworth, S. T. L., of Calgary, has accepted an invitation to become the pastor of Grace Methodist Church, Lacombe. The change of ministers will take place in June.

Two donations of ten dollars each have been received by the treasurer of the Patriotic Society in Lacombe. The donors have not sent their names, but can be assured that their liberality is appreciated.

After due consideration, the Royal Bank of Canada has decided to close up their agencies at Bentley and Blackfalds on the 12th inst. The business being done in these branches does not warrant the expense of operating.

Miss Molly Ewing, of the Canyon, S.D., was successful in winning the first prize in the recent essay contest held by the Garbutt Business College, of Calgary. The prize is a choice of a typewriter or an eight months' course in the College, worth \$100. The second prize, \$40.00 in gold, was won by Master Wesley Pate, of Alix, and the third prize, \$5.00 in gold, was won by Miss Margaret Cooper, of Stettler. The subject of the essay was "Hiawatha's Wedding Journey."

The Women's Institute will hold a social at the residence of Mrs. P. A. Switzer, on St. Valentine's evening, the 18th inst. A good time is promised, and everybody is invited. A collection will be taken in aid of the society.

Capt. Evans, of the Valley View Stock Farm, reports the arrival of some lambs at his farm last week. The youngsters, while arriving a little early in the year, are doing well, and will be in good shape for the fall exhibition.

The ladies of the Presbyterian Church will hold an anniversary dinner on Thursday evening, Feb. 17th. Dinner will be served in the basement of the church from 6 to 8 o'clock. Concert in the Church. Admission to dinner and concert, 50c; children, 25c.

The five hundred card party and dance given by the ladies of Lacombe on Thursday night, to raise funds to purchase material for field comforts for the Lacombe boys at the front, was a big success. We have not learned the exact amount of the receipts, but from the large number present it could not have failed to bring satisfactory returns.

John McKenty was called to North Battleford on Saturday by a telegram appraising him of the death of his brother-in-law, Dr. J. J. Mogan. On the same day he received a telegram announcing the death, in Dakota, of his young nephew, Ralph McKenty Price.

What's His Name? That's the question. If you want to find out visit the Rex on Saturday or Monday evening Feb. 14th, and see the Famous Players production of the play of that name. As a guarantee that it will be a good picture (one of the best) we have but to state that it was written by George Barr McCutcheon, author of "Brewster's Millions," and who hasn't read one or more of his interesting books. And what is more the principal role will be taken by the inimitable comedian, Mr. Max Figman.

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**PUBLIC  
NOTICE**

A Sitting of the District Court will be held at Lacombe on Wednesday, February 23rd, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m.

Dated at Edmonton, February 11th, 1916.

A. G. BROWNING,  
Acting Deputy Attorney General.

## Royal Welsh Male Quartette

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Survivors of the Gwent Welsh Singers  
Saved from the Lusitania Disaster

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Mellow Voices :: Exquisite Harmony  
Hear Risca Williams Relate the Story  
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